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#### SCIENTIFIC ITEMS

We record with regret the death of Sherburne Wesley Burnham, professor of practical astronomy in the University of Chicago and astronomer of the Yerkes Observatory; of Charles Henry Fernald, emeritus professor of zoology at Amherst Agricultural College; of Wilhelm von Waldeyer, professor of anatomy

at the University of Berlin, and of Alfred Gabriel Nathorst, the Swedish geologist.

Dr. James Rowland Angell has been elected president of Yale University to succeed Dr. Arthur Twining Hadley at the close of the present university year. Dr. Angell is a son of the late President Angell of the University of Michigan, and a graduate of that university of the class of 1890. He has been professor at the University of Minnesota, professor, dean and acting president of the University of Chicago, chairman of the National Research Council, and president of the Carnegie Corporation. Dr. Angell is a distinguished psychologist, having been president of the American Psychological Association and being a member of the National Academy of Sciences. The Yale Corporation announces that it has endeavored to choose for its head the ablest educational administrator available in the United States, irrespective of the college of his graduation or the place of his residence.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has entered into an agreement with Leland Stanford Jr. University, by which a food research institute is to be established at the university for the intensive study of the problems of production, distribution and consumption of food. The corporation expressed hope that the new organization will in time be known as the Hoover Institute. The corporation will provide \$700,000 for its support for ten years. Dr. C. L. Alsberg, Chief of the Bureau of Chemistry of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been elected the first director.